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SUBJECT: U.S. FISHERIES TRADE MISSION AND VISIT OF
NOAA'S FRANK

REF: TOKYO 17407

1. DEPT APPRECIATES CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY EMBASSY IN
REFTEL WHICH APPARENTLY CROSSED U.S. FISHERY TRADE MISSION
CABLE OF SEPT 27/28.

2. RELATIONSHIP OF FRANK'S TOKYO DISCUSSIONS TO MTN
SCENARIO HAS BEEN DISCUSSED SEVERAL TIMES BY FRANK AND
STR'S BARREDA, WHO WILL ALSO BE IN TOKYO FOR DISCUSSIONS.
ALTHOUGH THE MAIN FOCUS OF THE TRADE LIBERALIZATION EFFORT
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CONTINUES TO BE GENEVA, U.S. SIDE HOPES TO HEAR SOME
CONCRETE PROPOSALS FOR FISH TRADE LIBERALIZATION DURING
THE UP-COMING TOKYO SESSION. JAPANESE MAY BE ASSURED THAT
THEY WILL BE GIVEN FULL CREDIT IN GENEVA FOR ANY PROPOSALS
PUT FORTH IN TOKYO.

3. DEPT AGREES THAT FOCUS OF EXPORT DEVELOPMENT MISSIONS

SHOULD NOT BE DIFFUSED BY TOO MANY SIDE ISSUES. PURPOSE

OF THESE TALKS IS TO GAIN GRADUAL INCREASED ACCESS FOR
U.S. FISH EXPORTS TO JAPAN.

4. RE FRANK SCHEDULE: DEPT HAS LEARNED INFORMALLY THAT
EMBASSY HAS BEEN RECEIVING MIXED SIGNALS AS TO HOW
FRANK'S TIME SHOULD BE SCHEDULED. WE UNDERSTAND THAT A
COMMERCE CABLE CLARIFYING HIS SCHEDULING PRIORITIES HAS
BEEN SENT OUT TODAY (SEPT 28). WE ARE NOW IN TOUCH
WITH FRANK'S OFFICE DIRECTLY AND WILL ATTEMPT TO CO-
ORDINATE RESPONSE TO INCOMING PROPOSED FRANK SCHEDULE
PROMISED REFTEL. CHRISTOPHER

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